

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1-6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) An indigo-dyed cloth processed by athe method disclosed in any one of claims 4 to 6 according to claim 8.

8. (New) A method of processing an indigo-dyed cloth, wherein said method comprises:  
coating the indigo-dyed cloth with an aqueous solution;  
drying the coated cloth; and  
heating the dried, coated cloth,  
wherein said aqueous solution comprises one or more compounds selected from the group  
consisting of: zinc nitrate and ammonium nitrate,  
wherein said aqueous solution further comprises a thickener at a coating amount of from 100  
g/m<sup>2</sup> to 180 g/m<sup>2</sup>, and  
wherein said compounds are present at from 63 g/L to 200 g/L as a nitrogen-based oxidizing  
agent.